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Supplemental Material

Persistent Organic Pollutants and the Association with Maternal and Infant Thyroid Homeostasis: A Multipollutant Assessment

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Table S1: Wet-weight and lipid-adjusted concentrations of OCs in serum from a subset of pregnant women in the MISA study (n= 370)

Compound ^a	Wet-weight (ng/g serum)			Lipid-adjusted (ng/g lipids)		
	Median	AM ^b	Range	Median	AM ^b	Range
PCB 99	0.014	0.016	0.004, 0.075	2.12	2.41	0.44, 10.9
PCB 118	0.026	0.031	0.007, 0.228	3.99	4.63	0.94, 38.3
PCB 138	0.095	0.109	0.016, 0.670	14.2	16.3	2.10, 91.3
PCB 153	0.160	0.183	0.026, 1.247	23.8	27.5	3.39, 170
PCB 163	0.022	0.027	0.006, 0.181	3.39	3.99	0.72, 24.6
PCB 170	0.042	0.049	0.006, 0.434	6.43	7.40	0.75, 59.2
PCB 180	0.105	0.124	0.017, 1.163	15.9	18.7	3.01, 159
PCB 187	0.029	0.033	0.004, 0.168	4.30	4.93	0.81, 26.6
<i>p,p'</i> -DDE	0.243	0.292	0.056, 2.445	36.3	43.9	7.49, 344
HCB	0.062	0.068	0.021, 0.317	9.35	10.2	2.81, 53.3
<i>t</i> -Nonachlor	0.018	0.021	0.004, 0.129	2.72	3.18	0.59, 13.8
<i>c</i> -Nonachlor	0.004	0.005	0.001, 0.033	0.63	0.76	0.08, 3.57

^aPCB, polychlorinated biphenyl; *p,p'*-DDE, dichlorodiphenyldichloroethylene; HCB, hexachlorobenzene. Values are presented for compounds with detection frequencies >80%; levels below the LOD were set to LOD/ $\sqrt{2}$.

^bAM = Arithmetic mean

Table S2: Spearmans rank correlation coefficients

	PCB 99	PCB 118	PCB 138	PCB 163	PCB 153	PCB 170	PCB 180	PCB 187	<i>p,p</i> - DDE	TCB	<i>t</i> - Nonachlor	<i>c</i> - Nonachlor	PFHxS	PFOA	PFHpS	PFOS	PFNA	PFDA
PCB118	.76																	
PCB138	.89	0.79																
PCB163	.66	0.66	0.75															
PCB153	.84	0.79	0.95	0.83														
PCB170	.65	0.62	0.78	0.82	0.87													
PCB180	0.67	0.69	0.83	0.82	0.93	0.91												
PCB187	0.78	0.76	0.89	0.81	0.95	0.86	0.93											
<i>p,p</i> '-DDE	0.77	0.68	0.8	0.6	0.76	0.61	0.62	0.7										
TCB	0.77	0.73	0.77	0.7	0.77	0.65	0.65	0.7	0.64									
<i>t</i> -Nonachlor	0.77	0.75	0.79	0.75	0.82	0.71	0.76	0.82	0.62	0.77								
<i>c</i> -Nonachlor	0.69	0.67	0.7	0.66	0.71	0.61	0.65	0.71	0.54	0.66	0.9							
PFHxS	0.35	0.39	0.36	0.32	0.32	0.27	0.24	0.25	0.27	0.39	0.36	0.34						
PFOA	0.25	0.28	0.29	0.28	0.26	0.23	0.17	0.18	0.26	0.34	0.19	0.13	0.53					
PFHpS	0.31	0.33	0.29	0.23	0.25	0.16	0.17	0.2	0.22	0.33	0.31	0.3	0.5	0.46				
PFOS	0.4	0.42	0.37	0.36	0.35	0.27	0.25	0.27	0.29	0.45	0.41	0.39	0.63	0.65	0.68			
PFNA	0.32	0.43	0.37	0.39	0.38	0.34	0.34	0.34	0.29	0.42	0.37	0.33	0.49	0.64	0.45	0.61		
PFDA	0.35	0.43	0.39	0.37	0.41	0.38	0.39	0.39	0.3	0.39	0.41	0.41	0.45	0.47	0.41	0.58	0.75	
PFUnDA	0.39	0.45	0.42	0.4	0.45	0.39	0.44	0.46	0.32	0.4	0.49	0.5	0.34	0.19	0.28	0.44	0.55	0.75

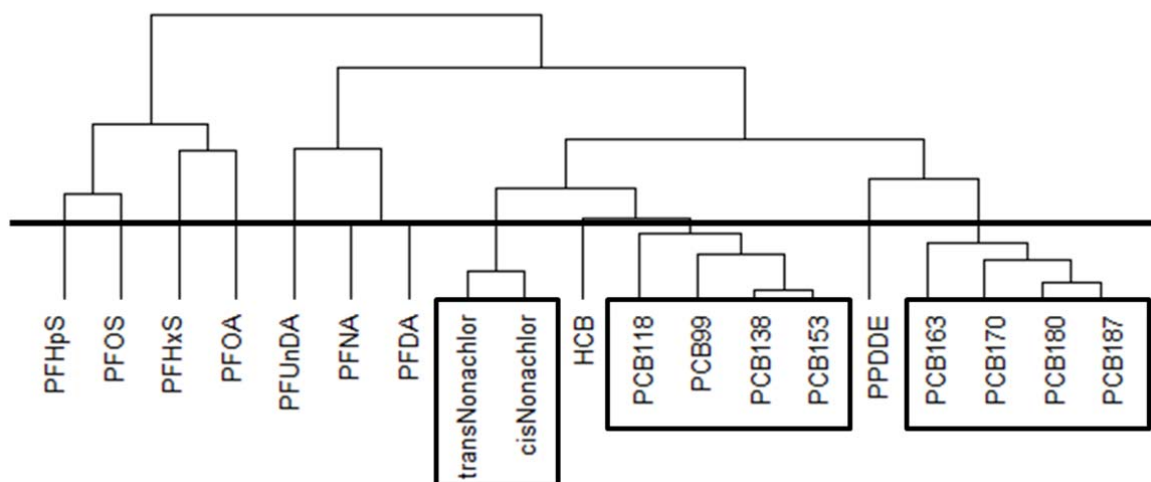


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A1. Summed contaminant groups

Based on the hierarchical clustering analysis, groups were established by addition of concentrations; i) Nonachlor (*cis*-nonachlor and *trans*-nonachlor); ii) PCB 99-153 (PCB 99, 118, 138, 153) and v) PCB 163-187 (PCB 138, 153, 163, 170, 180, 187). The remaining compounds were kept as single compounds.

Table S3: Linear regression coefficients^a (95% CI) for associations between maternal concentrations of POPs (ng/mL) and TSH and THs.

	n	Model 1: T3 ^b	R ²	Model 2: T4 ^c	R ²	Model 4: TSH ^d	R ²	Model 3: FT4 ^e	R ²	Model 4: FT3 ^e	R ²
PCB 99-153^f											
Quartile 1	91	Reference		Reference		Reference		-		-	
Quartile 2	91	-0.002 (-0.02, 0.016)		0.003 (-0.015, 0.02)		0.04 (-0.03, 0.11)		-		-	
Quartile 3	91	-0.02 (-0.04, 0.001)		-0.01 (-0.03, 0.01)		0.03 (-0.04, 0.10)		-		-	
Quartile 4	91	-0.03 (-0.05, -0.01)*	30	-0.02 (-0.04, -0.01)*	7	0.08 (0.01, 0.16)	8	-	-	-	-
HCB											
Quartile 1	92	Reference		Reference		-		-		-	
Quartile 2	92	-0.01 (-0.03, 0.007)		-0.004 (-0.02, 0.01)		-		-		-	
Quartile 3	93	-0.02 (-0.04, -0.003)*		-0.006 (-0.02, 0.01)		-		-		-	
Quartile 4	92	-0.02 (-0.05, -0.01)**	31	-0.03 (-0.05, -0.01)*	8	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nonachlors^g											
Quartile 1	92	Reference		Reference		Reference		-		-	
Quartile 2	92	-0.01 (-0.03, 0.008)		-0.002 (-0.02, 0.02)		0.09 (0.024, 0.163)**		-		-	
Quartile 3	93	-0.02 (-0.04, 0.003)		-0.01 (-0.03, 0.01)		0.07 (0.002, 0.145)*		-		-	
Quartile 4	92	-0.03 (-0.05, -0.01)*	30	-0.02 (-0.04, -0.01)*	7	0.01 (0.010, 0.159)*	9	-	-	-	-
PCB 163-187^h											
Quartile 1	92	Reference		Reference		Reference		Reference		-	
Quartile 2	92	-0.02 (-0.03, -0.002)*		-0.01 (-0.02, 0.01)		0.04 (-0.03, 0.11)		-0.002 (-0.016, 0.012)		-	
Quartile 3	93	-0.02 (-0.04, -0.001)*		-0.01 (-0.02, 0.01)		0.04 (-0.03, 0.11)		0.001 (-0.019, 0.009)		-	
Quartile 4	92	-0.04 (-0.06, -0.02)**	31	-0.03 (-0.05, -0.06)*	8	0.10 (0.03, 0.17)**	7	-0.02 (-0.030, -0.001)*	26	-	-
PFOS											
Quartile 1	94	-		-		Reference		-		-	
Quartile 2	87	-		-		0.04 (-0.031, 0.114)		-		-	
Quartile 3	95	-		-		0.08 (0.006, 0.154)*		-		-	

Quartile 4	94	-	-	-	-	0.10 (0.016, 0.169)*	8	-	-	-	-
PFUnDA											
Quartile 1	91	-		-		-		-		Reference	
Quartile 2	93	-		-		-		-		-0.01 (-0.024, 0.004)	
Quartile 3	93	-		-		-		-		-0.01 (-0.024, 0.004)	
Quartile 4	93	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-0.02 (-0.033, -0.003)*	14
PFDA											
Quartile 1	92	Reference		-		-		-		-	
Quartile 2	93	-0.01 (-0.030, 0.007)		-		-		-		-	
Quartile 3	93	-0.01 (-0.032, 0.005)		-		-		-		-	
Quartile 4	92	-0.02 (-0.044, -0.005)*	30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

*p≤0.05, **p<0.01 calculated for the change in concentrations compared to the reference quartile.

^aRegression coefficient β, i.e. change in concentrations (100% x β) across quartiles with the lowest quartile as reference group.

^bThe model is adjusted for pregnancy related change vector, parity, age, BMI and physical activity

^cThe model is adjusted for pregnancy related change vector, age and physical activity

^dThe model is adjusted for t-uptake and parity

^eThe model is adjusted for pregnancy related change vector, BMI and age

^fIncludes PCB 99,118,138 and 153

^gIncludes *trans*- and *cis*-nonachlor

^hIncludes PCB 163, 170, 180 and 187

R² presented as %

Table S4: Linear regression coefficients^a (95% CI) for associations between concentrations of maternal TSH and FT4 with infant concentrations of TSH.

Predictors	n	Infant TSH mIU/L ^b
Model 1: Maternal TSH mIU/L^a		
Quartile 1: 0.06-1.09	92	Reference
Quartile 2: 1.11-1.55	94	0.03 (-0.063, 0.131)
Quartile 3: 1.56-2.16	90	-0.03 (-0.134, 0.065)
Quartile 4: 2.19-10.17	92	0.10 (0.001, 0.201)*
Model 2: Maternal FT4 pmol/L		
Quartile 1: 10-13	104	Reference
Quartile 2: 13.3-14	80	-0.08 (-0.176, 0.007)
Quartile 3: 14-16	103	-0.05 (-0.147, 0.049)
Quartile 4: 16-25	81	-0.11 (-0.204, -0.014)*

*p<0.05, calculated for the change in concentrations compared to the reference quartile.

^aRegression coefficient β , i.e. change in concentrations (100% x β) across quartiles with the lowest quartile as reference group.

^bThe models are adjusted for maternal total lipid, infant age at sampling, birthweight, gender and gestational length.